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SUBJECT: DAILY REPORT, COMMITTEE I, JULY 17

REF: CARACAS 6701

1. COMMITTEE I (C-1) COMPLETED GENERAL DEBATE JULY 17.

SPEAKERS WERE: AFGHANISTAN, PORTUGAL, MEXICO,  
ETHIOPIA, IRELAND, KUWAIT, TANZANIA, FIJI, REPUBLIC

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OF KOREA, IRAN, PAKISTAN, YUGOSLAVIA, CONGO, ECUADOR,

TUNISIA, CHINA, IRAQ, ALBANIA, BHUTAN, REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM, USSR, GREECE, MONGOLIA, SPAIN, UKRAINE, ALGERIA, FINALND, BOLIVIA, US, LIBYA AND GHANA.

2. QUESTION OF C-1'S COMPETENCE TO CONSIDER LIVING AND NON-LIVING RESOURCES IN SUPERJACENT WATERS OF INTERNATIONAL AREA WAS AGAINST ISSUE OF CONTENTION. GENERAL STATEMENT BY MEXICAN REP IN A.M. SESSION INCLUDED FAIRLY DETAILED DISCUSSION OF NEED FOR INTERNATIONAL REGIME TO INCLUDE REGULATION OF LIVING AND NON-LIVING RESOURCES IN SUPERJACENT WATERS. US C-1 REP (RATINER) IMMEDIATELY INTERVENED FOLLOWING MEXICAN STATEMENT TO ADVISE C-1 THAT HIS DEL BELIEVED MATTER TO BE CLEARLY OUTSIDE MANDATE OF C-1 AND MIGHT BE REQUIRED TO RAISE POINT OF ORDER IF OTHER DELS CONTINUED TO REFER TO SUBJECT OF RESOURCES OF SUPERJACENT WATERS DURING INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS TO FOLLOW. TANZANIAN REP IN GENERAL STATEMENT EXPLAINED THAT NUMBER OF DELS WERE COMING TO CONCLUSION THAT WATER COLUMN SHOULD BE COVERED BY REGIME AND THAT IF NECESSARY HIS DEL WOULD REQUEST A CHANGE IN MANDATE OF C-1. FURTHER REFERENCES TO SUPERJACENT WATERS WERE INCLUDED IN GENERAL STATEMENTS OF PAKISTAN AND ECUADOR. MEXICO, COLIMBIA AND VENEZUELA EXERCISED RIGHT OF REPLY TO US DEL AT CLOSE OF A.M. SESSION, INSISTING THAT SUBJECT OF RESOURCES OF WATER COLUMN WAS WITHIN MANDATE OF COMMITTEE.

2. USSR REP MADE STRONG APPEAL FOR LICENSING SYSTEM, COUPLED WITH SUPPORT FOR QUOTA ON LICENSES GRANTED INDIVIDUAL STATES, USE OF OBJECTIVE CRITERIA FOR SELECTION AMONG APPLICANTS AND RESERVAION OF AREAS FOR FUTURE EXPLOITATION. STATEMENT BY CHINESE REP FOLLOWED USUAL PATTERN OF RHETORIC SUPPORTING LDC'S WITH ONE EXCEPTION. HE INDICATED THAT SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AND RELATED ACTIVITIES SHOULD BE "SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATE REGUALTION", MUCH WEAKER SUPPORT FOR INTERNATIONAL REGULATIONS THAN PREVIOUSLY DEMONSTRATED.

3. STATEMENTS OF JIJI AND AFGHANISTAN DEMONSTRATED RECOGNITION OF THEIR POSITIONS AS LDC CONSUMERS OF METALS CONTAINED IN NODULES, ALTHOUGH FIJI REP SUPPORTED PRODUCTION CONTROLS FOR PURPOSES OF BOTH UNCLASSIFIED

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INCREASING AND DECREASING PRICE LEVELS.

4. ON DISPUTE SETTLEMENT TANZANIAN REP PRESSED FOR "EFFECTIVE AS OPPOSED TO COMPULSORY" PROCEDURES AND IRANIAN REP URGED THAT PROCEDURES TO BE ESTABLISHED SHOULD BE BINDING, ENSURE CONFIDENCE IN JUDGES THROUGH ADEQUATE REPRESENTATION, AND NOT BE TIME-CONSUMING PROHIBITIVELY EXPENSIVE.

5. US REP (STEVENSON) DELIVERED GENERAL STATEMENT (TEXT  
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